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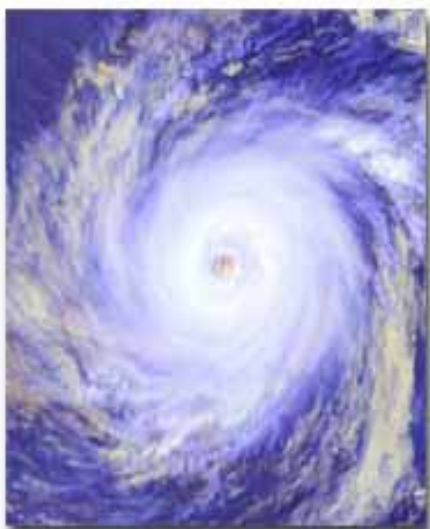
Lynette Richardson, CFM

were each presented the

“Certificate of Appreciation”

at the 2006 Annual LFMA Conference.

This certificate is given to a person with outstanding
qualities in the field of floodplain management.
We thank them for their dedication and service
to the citizens of Louisiana!



2006 Hurricane Names

Alberto	Helene	Oscar
Beryl	Isaac	Patty
Chris	Joyce	Rafael
Debby	Kirk	Sandy
Ernesto	Leslie	Tony
Florence	Michael	Valerie
Gordon	Nadine	William



CONGRATULATIONS TO MORGAN CITY

FOR OBTAINING AN "8" RATING IN THE CRS PROGRAM

THIS MEANS A **10% DISCOUNT** ON THEIR CITIZENS' FLOOD INSURANCE POLICIES

We would like to

WELCOME

Susan Veillon

as the newest member of our staff !

Susan has been working in the
LADOTD Alexandria District Office

and

we are all looking forward to having
her join our team.

CRS COORDINATORS

FEMA IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE

that the

2006 CRS Coordinators Manual

is now available.

As a CRS member - If you did NOT
receive a copy please send an email to:

nfipcrs@iso.com or call Rodney Smith

@ 225-774-6063

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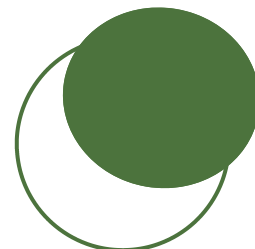
**Louisiana DOTD FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT & DHS/FEMA
are offering the NFIP 101 weeklong course
MANAGING FLOODPLAIN DEVELOPMENT
through the
NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM**

This course is designed to provide an organized training opportunity for local officials responsible for administering their local Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

The course will focus on the NFIP and concepts of floodplain management, maps and studies, ordinance administration, and the relationship between floodplain management and flood insurance.

DATES: Monday, JULY 24th thru Friday, JULY 28th, 2006
[the CFM exam will be given on Friday]

LOCATION: La. State Fire Marshal Bldg.
Conference Room
8181 Independence Blvd.
Baton Rouge, LA 70806



NOTE: Unlike attending this class at EMI in Emmitsburg, Maryland:
THERE WILL BE NO REIMBURSEMENT FOR HOTEL RESERVATIONS, MEALS, etc.

THERE IS LIMITED SEATING AVAILABLE!
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND THIS CLASS PLEASE CALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. . .
CLASS RESERVATIONS: 225/274-4354

[You will receive a class packet once you have registered]

TO REGISTER FOR THE Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) EXAM Contact:
ANITA L. LARSON, CERTIFICATION COORDINATOR
Association of State Floodplain Managers (ASFPM)
2809 Fish Hatchery Rd.
Madison WI 53713
PHONE 608/274-0123 FAX 608/274-0696 E-MAIL cfm@floods.org
WEBSITE: <http://www.floods.org/pdf/certapp.pdf>
[YOU MUST REGISTER BY JULY 14th, 2006]

The Road Home provides opportunities for homeowners to get back into their homes, creates powerful incentives to rebuild rental properties and includes special provisions to restore Louisiana's homeless shelter capacity.

The revised plan also provides choices for all homeowners impacted by the storms to repair, rebuild, relocate elsewhere in Louisiana, or sell their homes.

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1-800-566-42234



Issue:

USE OF HAZARD MITIGATION FUNDING UNDER SECTION 406 (STAFFORD ACT)

by Shane Rauh, State Hazard Mitigation Officer, Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness

As an applicant for *Public Assistance* funding, you have the opportunity to rebuild your damaged facilities safer, stronger and better than before.

To help you in your efforts, funding is available from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for state and local governments and select non-profits to incorporate mitigation measures as part of repairs under the Public Assistance Program (authorized in Section 406 of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act). The term "hazard mitigation" as defined in federal law (44 CFR 201.2), means **any** sustained action taken to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to human life and property from hazards.

The Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, as amended, provides the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) the authority to fund the restoration of eligible facilities which have sustained damage due to a declared disaster event. Within the enabling act, Section 406 also contains a provision for the consideration of funding additional measures, not required by applicable codes and standards (further described in 44 CFR 206.226) that will enhance a facility's ability to resist similar damage in future events. Mitigation measures funded with Public Assistance funds are only for publicly owned facilities damaged by the disaster.

The cost of hazard mitigation measures as part of repairs to damaged facilities may be considered eligible cost under the Public Assistance Program as long as the cost of the mitigation actions are reasonable and have the likelihood of protecting the repair from future losses. Generally, up to 15% of the estimated total cost of repair, may be added directly to the Project Worksheet for such measures if there is a reason to believe it will protect the repair in future disaster events. Funding may rise as high as 100% of the eligible repair cost if a benefit-cost analysis is performed showing the mitigation measure is cost effective, and the scope of work is reviewed and approved by FEMA.

Appropriate use of Section 406 hazard mitigation funds require a commitment by the Federal, State and Local governments to incorporate mitigation measures during restoration of damaged facilities. If you wish to take advantage of Section 406 hazard mitigation funding, each sub-grantee or eligible applicant receiving Public Assistance has to identify and/or propose reasonable mitigation actions during the restoration/repair of damaged facilities. **FEMA is not responsible for identifying such measures for you.** The restoration/repair activities must be performed as permanent work and considered eligible work under categories C-G as prescribed by the Public Assistance Program.

Category C- Roads and Bridges

Category D- Water Control Facilities

Category E- Buildings and Equipment

Category F- Utilities

Category G- Parks, Recreational, and other (improved beach)

USE OF HAZARD MITIGATION FUNDING UNDER SECTION 406 (STAFFORD ACT) **continued**

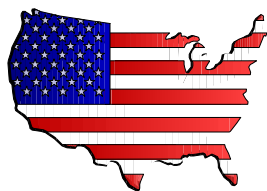
Proposed mitigation opportunities must be site specific and demonstrate loss reduction or eliminate threats of significant damage to improved property and/or public facilities.

Frequently, due to the urgency to repair damaged facilities, long term mitigation opportunities are not fully explored. As a result hazard mitigation funding opportunities through the Public Assistance program are not fully utilized. Damage to public facilities can vary greatly, dependent upon facility location, condition and magnitude of disaster event. Mitigation opportunities can effectively include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Relocation of a building to higher ground
- Realignment of a roadway away from a hazard
- Elevation of a building or equipment/contents
- Incorporation of Flood Resistant Building Materials
- Increase hydraulic capacity or flood protection (i.e. culverts, retention)
- Shuttering to protect windows and doors from wind borne debris

It is imperative that local governments and other eligible applicants demand assistance from both State and Federal government to identify and support viable projects that are cost effective and support storm damage reduction. Be proactive, identify mitigation opportunities that can be incorporated to protect (FEMA) eligible repairs, notify your Public Assistance Coordinator to include the mitigation proposal in the project worksheet.

If you require additional assistance in pursuing or developing hazard mitigation opportunities please call the PAC assigned to your area, or contact Shane Rauh, State Hazard Mitigation Officer by email: srauh@ohsep.louisiana.gov or (225) 267-2568.



HAPPY 4th OF JULY

AS YOU MAY HAVE DISCOVERED the DHS/FEMA WEBSITE HAS A NEW FORMAT . . .

TO FIND THE FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAPS ONLINE

Go to: www.fema.gov

look for the box [1/2 way down the left side] that says “How do I find?”

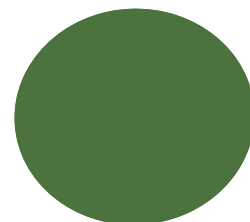
pull down the menu & click on “Maps” – then click on the “GO” button

under **Disaster Maps** – click on “**Flood Maps**”

under **Map Service Center** – click on “**Enter the Map Service Center**”

under **View Digital and Paper Flood Maps** – click on “**MSC**”

go to the 3rd box on the left that says **Looking for . . .** – click on “**Flood Maps**”





Hurricane Katrina/Rita Flood Recovery (Louisiana)

Questions and Answers about the Advisory Flood Elevations and the Katrina/Rita Recovery Maps

- [About the Advisory Base Flood Elevations \(ABFEs\)](#)
- [About The Hurricane Katrina Surge Inundation And ABFE Maps](#)
- [Other Issues Surrounding the ABFEs](#)
- [Using Advisory Base Flood Elevations For Floodplain Management](#)

Insurance Implications

IF COMMUNITIES ADOPT AND UTILIZE THE ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATIONS, HOW WILL IT AFFECT THEIR CITIZENS' FLOOD INSURANCE POLICIES?

Since the remapping process generally takes a minimum of two years from the inception of the restudy until new FIRMs become effective, the flood insurance policies in your community will continue to be rated using the zones and flood elevations on the current effective FIRM.

Additionally, communities that participate in the NFIP's CRS can apply for more credit points based on their adoption of standards higher than the NFIP's minimum requirements. This can result in additional premium discounts for all policyholders in the community.

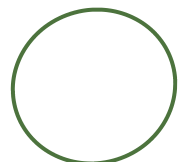
IF BUILDINGS ARE CONSTRUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE ADVISORY BASE FLOOD ELEVATIONS, HOW WILL THAT AFFECT THEIR PREMIUMS?

If the Advisory Base Flood Elevations are higher than the BFE on the existing FIRM, the flood insurance premiums for buildings constructed to those new elevations will be much lower.

WHAT HAPPENS TO EXISTING FLOOD INSURANCE POLICIES IF THE FIRMS ARE REVISED IN THE FUTURE TO REFLECT NEW HIGHER BFEs?

Existing policies can continue using the same zone and BFE on the FIRM that was in effect at the time the building was constructed, as long as it is to their advantage and the building was constructed in compliance with local floodplain management ordinances.

Taken from the website: www.fema.gov/hazard/flood/recoverydata/katrina/katrina_la_faqs.shtm#4





LOUISIANA FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

AND

CITY OF WESTLAKE

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How to use the
"Louisiana Floodplain Management Desk Reference"
WORKSHOP Part II

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2006

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

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AGENDA

- 8:30 a.m.—Coffee & Donuts
8:40 a.m.—**Welcome** by Dudley R. Dixon
Mayor, City of Westlake
8:45 a.m.—**Introduction**
Mike Hunnicutt, CFM, Chairman, LFMA
Rod Emmer, Executive Director, LFMA
9:00 a.m.—**Substantial Damage and Increased Cost of Compliance** (Chapter 14)
Tommy Rodrigue, CFM, Floodplain Manager,
CRS Coordinator, Jefferson Parish
9:25 a.m.—**Using FIRMS** (Chapter 9)
James Demouchet, CFM, Public Works Prop. Spec.
Caddo Parish
9:45 a.m.—Break
9:55 a.m.—**Hazard Mitigation Elevation & Acquisition Updates**
Brad Duhon, Floodplain Administrator
Lafayette Consolidated Government
Pam Mattingly, CFM, Floodplain Manager
Calcasieu Parish Police Jury
10:20 a.m.—**Development Permits & Permits from Other Agencies** (Chapters 19 & 20)
Lisa Richardson, CFM, Permit Specialist
Ouachita Parish Police Jury
10:45 a.m.—**Flood Insurance** (Chapter 25)
Brad Duhon, Floodplain Administrator
Lafayette Consolidated Government
11:10 a.m.—**Questions & Answers**
11:30 a.m.—Lunch on Your Own (Monique's Restaurant)

1:00 p.m. – CFM Exam (pre-registration required)

For more information on the topics or CFM Exam, please
contact Bonnie Anderson at planning@carencro.org
Phone: (337) 896-7971 Fax: (337) 886-7546

Workshop Contact: Terri Hawes
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**WORKSHOP: HOW TO USE THE
"LOUISIANA FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT DESK
REFERENCE"**

DATE: FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2006

LOCATION: CITY OF WESTLAKE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS

PLEASE FAX or MAIL THIS TO:

CITY OF WESTLAKE

Terri Hawes

P.O. BOX 700

WESTLAKE, LA 70669

(337) 433-9350 (fax)

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ORGANIZATION: _____

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**CFM Exam will be offered following the workshop
at 1:00 pm at the same Council Chambers.**

Please register at www.floods.org

click on Certification

Deadline to register for CFM is

JULY 10, 2006. Walk-ins NOT accepted.



Our goal is flood loss reduction . . .

We are here to provide any guidance needed to assure that NFIP regulations are carried out and violations prevented.

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